

Dr. Henry Ridgely House
(Crawford House)
6 S. State Street
Dover
Kent County
Delaware

HABS No. DE-177

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STATE Delaware	COUNTY Kent	TOWN OR VICINITY Dover
HISTORIC NAME OF STRUCTURE (INCLUDE SOURCE FOR NAME) Dr. Henry Ridgely House		HABS NO. DE-177
SECONDARY OR COMMON NAMES OF STRUCTURE Crawford House		
COMPLETE ADDRESS (DESCRIBE LOCATION FOR RURAL SITES) 6 S. State Street		
DATE OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE SOURCE) 1869	ARCHITECT(S) (INCLUDE SOURCE)	
SIGNIFICANCE (ARCHITECTURAL AND HISTORICAL, INCLUDE ORIGINAL USE OF STRUCTURE) This fine Italianate house was built for Dr. Henry Ridgely in 1869. The July 31, 1869, <u>Delawarean</u> noted, "The fine brick mansion of Dr. Ridgely will soon be completed."		
STYLE (IF APPROPRIATE) Italianate		
MATERIAL OF CONSTRUCTION (INCLUDE STRUCTURAL SYSTEMS) Brick bearing walls and center cross interior walls with wood framing. Running bond with red stones at quoins.		
SHAPE AND DIMENSIONS OF STRUCTURE (SKETCHED FLOOR PLANS ON SEPARATE PAGES ARE ACCEPTABLE) T-shaped; approximately 54'x42' with brick wing 21'x40', with wood frame wing on that 11'x27'. Three stories with five-story tower. One-story 15'x15' wing on north.		
EXTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE Square tower in center of front with mansard roof; cornice has dentils and paired consoles; wooden porch across front with arched openings between box columns, fan brackets; one-story wooden bays on south side of house, north side of rear wing; porch on south side of rear wing now enclosed to form solarium; windows round- and segmental-arched with bracketed hoods.		
INTERIOR FEATURES OF NOTE (DESCRIBE FLOOR PLANS, IF NOT SKETCHED) Plaster cornices in main rooms; plaster ceiling medallion in parlor (south room); brown marble mantels.		
MAJOR ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS WITH DATES		
PRESENT CONDITION AND USE Private residence and rooming house		
OTHER INFORMATION AS APPROPRIATE Hexagonal wrought-iron gazebo on north side house; wood-frame privy northwest of house.		
SOURCES OF INFORMATION (INCLUDING LISTING ON NATIONAL REGISTER, STATE REGISTERS, ETC.) John P. White, Project Supervisor for HABS, draft description, 1975.		
COMPILER, AFFILIATION Alison K. Hoagland, Historic American Buildings Survey		DATE January 1983

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